THE HON'BLE Ms. JUSTICE G. ROHINI

WRIT PETITION No.16156 OF 2007

ORAL ORDER:

The 1st respondent by order dated 1.6.2007 levied a sum of Rs.10,19,475/- under Section 14B and 7Q of the Employees' Provident Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 (for short "the Act"). The petitioner states that the said order was received only on 15.6.2007 and, immediately, thereafter, an Appeal was preferred before the 2nd respondent under Section 7-I of the Act along with an application for stay. While so, the impugned prohibitory order dated 10.7.2007 has been issued directing the 3rd respondent not to pay the amounts due to the petitioner from its Bank Account. Aggrieved by the said action, this writ petition has been filed.

I have heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as well as the learned counsel for the 1st respondent.

Since, admittedly, Statutory Appeal is pending before the 2nd respondent under Section 7-I of the Act, I deem it appropriate to stay the proceedings subject to the condition that the petitioner deposits half of the amount levied under the order dated 1.6.2007.

Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction that the impugned prohibitory order dated 10.7.2007 shall be kept in abeyance till the Appeal is disposed of by the 2nd respondent, provided the petitioner deposits half of the amount levied under the order dated 1.6.2007 within a period of eight weeks from today. No costs.

(G. ROHINI, J.)

30th July, 2007.
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Between:

Sangam Health Care Products Limited,
Amarchand Sharma complex,
S.P. road, Secunderabad, represented by its
Senior Manager (Legal) Mr. Sunil Palnitkar. .. Petitioner.

And

The Assistant P.F. Commissioner (Compliance).
Sub-Regional Office, Kukatpally,
Hyderabad and others. .. Respondents.